Commission on Redistricting

Wednesday April 28, 2021

Start Time: 5:02 pm

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Commission Members

Mariana Cordier (Chair)

Arthur Edmunds (Vice-Chair) (joined the meeting at approximately 5:25)

Imad Aldean Ahmad

Laura Ard

Keshia Desir

Valerie Ervin

Bruce Goldensohn

Jason Makstein

Nilmini Rubin

Samuel Statland

David Stein

Council Staff

Pamela Dunn

Jeff Zyontz

Liz Olsson

Invited Guest Presenters

Corinne Blackford, a planner with the Montgomery County Planning Department's division of Research and Strategic Projects, where she leads demographic analyses and land-use forecasting; and,

Nick Holdzkom, a GIS Analyst, also in the Department's division of Research and Strategic Projects. In this role, Nick supports the division with GIS analysis and map products, and assists in master plan analyses, including existing conditions, build-out scenarios, and economic feasibility studies.

The meeting began at 5:02 pm.

It opened with a greeting to the Commission by Chair Cordier.

Next, the Chair requested approval of the meeting minutes. The April 14 meeting minutes were approved without amendment.

The Chair then introduced Corinne Blackford and Nick Holdzkom from the Montgomery County Planning Department. Ms. Blackford and Mr. Holdzkom provided a presentation to the Commission focusing on population growth and change, including:

- Countywide demographic changes
- Areas of ethnic and racial concentrations
- Identifiable unincorporated communities

Following their presentation, Ms. Blackford and Mr. Holdzkom answered questions related to the presentation.

The Commissioners discussed the May meeting agenda which will include a presentation by Planning Staff on Redistricting software which will be provided to each Commissioner.

The meeting closed at 5:57pm.